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BURNED AREA EMERGENCY REHABILITATION PLAN AND ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT Summary of BAER Team Recommendations Choke Cherry Fire - 31,051 acres

Soil/Water Resources

- Aerial or ATV broadcast seed 1500 acres along County Road
- Aerial or Drill seed 37 miles (179.4 acres) along dozer line
- Rehabilitate 2.0 miles of dozer line
- Public safety restore drainage and grades to 9 miles of roads damaged by fire suppression
- Public safety replace 3 cattleguards damaged by fire suppression

Wildlife Resources

- Aerially seed every other swath equating to 19,637 acres in 20,000 acres in the northern portion of the burn. Complete broadcast seeding of approximately 300 gray low sagebrush seed plots each 0.25-acre in size in systematic fashion on affected claypan sites in the burn area.
- Monitor seeding success on 19,637 acres.
- Monitor 31,051 acres of post fire vegetation in critical big game winter range and sage grouse habitat.

Forest/Woodland

• Monitor 30 acres of relic aspen/cottonwood stands for post fire regeneration to prevent unacceptable change to the ecosystem structure.

Cultural Resources

- Cultural resource inventory linear projects on 41.5 miles of bulldozer lines, road maintenance, and new fences.
- Law enforcement presence for cultural resource protection

Infrastructure Resources

No treatments

Vegetation Resources

- Aerial seed 726 acres of rangeland and monitor for success
- Reseed Incident Command Post 10 acres along County Road
- Monitor seeding for success
- Replace 1.2 miles of protective fence
- Reconstruct 25.7 miles of protective fence
- 1.5 miles of new protective fence
- See West Basin fire for protective fence needs
- Noxious weed monitoring and inventory 10,000 acres
- Herbicide control of 300 acres of noxious weed
- Monitoring of burned area for natural rangeland vegetation and recovery from fire effects.

Allotments affected

Salmon River Barton

Big Bend Little Goose Creek